

Senate Study Bill 3171

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act directing the department of education and the Iowa
2 department of public health to convene a healthy children task
3 force.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 1 Section 1. HEALTHY CHILDREN TASK FORCE.
1 2 1. The department of education and the Iowa department of
1 3 public health shall convene a healthy children task force to
1 4 do the following:
1 5 a. Assess current policies and statutes affecting the
1 6 health of children, specifically physical activity, physical
1 7 education, food and nutrition, and nutrition education for
1 8 children ages three through eighteen.
1 9 b. Develop recommendations for policy and statutory
1 10 changes to enhance the health and well-being of children
1 11 including, but not limited to, physical activity, food and
1 12 nutrition, and education related to these topics.
1 13 c. Submit its findings and recommendations to the governor
1 14 and the general assembly not later than January 1, 2007.
1 15 2. Members of the healthy children task force shall
1 16 include the following:
1 17 a. Four legislative members who shall be appointed as
1 18 follows:
1 19 (1) Two state senators, one appointed by the president of
1 20 the senate, after consultation with the majority leader of the
1 21 senate, and one appointed by the minority leader of the
1 22 senate, after consultation with the president of the senate,
1 23 from their respective parties.
1 24 (2) Two state representatives, one appointed by the
1 25 speaker and one appointed by the minority leader of the house
1 26 of representatives from their respective parties.
1 27 b. A representative of each of the following, appointed by
1 28 the respective entity:
1 29 (1) The department of education.
1 30 (2) The Iowa department of public health.
1 31 (3) The American heart association.
1 32 (4) The Iowa association for health, physical education,
1 33 recreation and dance.
1 34 (5) The Iowa association of school boards.
1 35 (6) The Iowa dietetic association.
2 1 (7) The school nutrition association of Iowa
2 2 (8) The Iowa state education association.
2 3 (9) The school administrators of Iowa.
2 4 (10) The Iowa medical association.
2 5 (11) Iowa partners: action for healthy kids.
2 6 (12) The Iowa parent teacher association.
2 7 (13) The Iowa nurses association.
2 8 (14) The American cancer association.
2 9 (15) The Iowa dental association.
2 10 (16) The Iowa academy of pediatrics.
2 11 3. a. The task force shall elect a chairperson and vice
2 12 chairperson from the members appointed pursuant to subsection
2 13 2, paragraph "b", subparagraphs (3) through (16).
2 14 b. In case of the absence or disability of the chairperson
2 15 and vice chairperson, the members of the task force shall

2 16 elect a temporary chairperson in the same manner as provided
2 17 in paragraph "a".
2 18 c. A majority of the members of the task force present
2 19 shall constitute a quorum.
2 20 4. The department of education and the Iowa department of
2 21 public health shall work cooperatively to provide staffing and
2 22 administrative support to the task force.
2 23 EXPLANATION
2 24 This bill directs the department of education and the Iowa
2 25 department of public health to convene a healthy children task
2 26 force to assess current policies and statutes affecting the
2 27 health of children, specifically for children ages 3=18, and
2 28 to develop recommendations for policy and statutory changes to
2 29 enhance the health and well-being of children. The task force
2 30 is directed to submit its findings and recommendations to the
2 31 governor and the general assembly not later than January 1,
2 32 2007.
2 33 Task force membership is comprised of four legislative
2 34 members, and representatives from the departments of education
2 35 and public health and from 16 health, education, and
3 1 nutrition-related entities appointed by the respective
3 2 entities.
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